IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Michihiro Ohnishi et al.) Group Art Unit: 1634
Application No.: 10/550,302) Examiner: Forman, Betty J.
Filed: September 22, 2005) Confirmation No.: 1171
For: MICROCHIP, KIT FOR EXTRACTING NUCLEIC ACID AND EXTRACTING METHOD FOR NUCLEIC ACID))))

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 13, 2009, the period for response to which extends through April 13, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper beginning on page 2.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.